

# The Barstow Fossil Beds

A San Bernardino County Museum Association Field Trip  
with Senior Curator Kathleen Springer, Curator of Paleontology Eric Scott,  
and Curator of Geology J. Chris Sagebiel

**Saturday, February 25, 2006**

7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Join the curators of the museum's Division of Geological Sciences for a full-day trip to Barstow, California, to see the world-famous Barstow Fossil Beds. It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to travel back in time and see the Mojave Desert as it appeared millions of years ago.

The Barstow Fossil Beds are a treasure trove of vertebrate and invertebrate fossils dating back to the middle Miocene Epoch, 16 million–13 million years in age. Fossils from this site include giant carnivorous “bear-dogs”, sabre-toothed cats, three-toed horses, and several kinds of camels. These fossils are so important that the Barstow Fossil Beds have been designated the type locality for the Barstovian North American Land Mammal Age, a period of geologic time recognized throughout North America.



Field trip leaders Kathleen Springer, Eric Scott, and J. Chris Sagebiel will lead trip participants through the spectacular Rainbow Basin National Natural Landmark and surrounding areas. The curators will discuss the fossils, their importance, and the colorful rocks that hold them, emphasizing the importance of relating fossils to their geologic context.

The cost of \$50/person (\$60 for non-members of the Museum Association) includes transportation from the museum, coffee and muffins, lunch, snacks, and water. Dress in layers and wear a hat, sunscreen, and sturdy hiking boots for moderate rock scrambling.

Space is limited, and pre-paid reservations are required.

Return the coupon below no later than February 20, 2006

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